NC State Extension improves the lives, economies and communities of all North Carolinians through programs and partnerships focused on agriculture, food and nutrition, and 4-H youth development. We don’t just conduct groundbreaking research; NC State Extension delivers the outcomes directly into the hands of North Carolinians.

In 2017, we connected with 1,873,485 people via 13,000+ programs. North Carolina gets a 7-to-1 economic return on its annual investment in Extension. NC State Extension provides localized services in every N.C. county plus the Eastern Band of Cherokee. County centers are staffed by 594 NC State professionals, while 218 more work on campus. Roughly 60% of NC State’s College of Agriculture and Life Sciences’ research faculty have Extension appointments.

812 Professionals
101 Local Centers

$299.2M Impact
Annual economic impact on North Carolina, plus $17.1M value in hours worked by volunteers.

7-to-1 ROI
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$107.1M Expenses

- State of N.C. $41.9M
- N.C. Counties $30.6M
- Grants/Gifts $25.4M
- U.S. Gov’t. $9.2M

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FEEDING OUR FUTURE
NC State Extension keeps North Carolina’s agriculture industry – the state’s leading economic sector – growing and sustainable by connecting growers with research-based information and technology.

- **205** county employees
- **681,580** face-to-face contacts
- **225,219** producers adopted best management practices
- **$116.5M** resulting net income gains by producers
- **4,333** Master Gardener volunteers
- **$84B** – value of N.C. agriculture industry

**Note:** 135 additional NC State county employees are affiliated with multiple program areas. Another 145 county Extension employees are funded by N.C. A&T State University and/or county governments.

IMPROVING OUR HEALTH
NC State Extension helps people make healthier decisions and live better lives through programs that range from home gardening and healthy eating to local food systems and food safety.

- **144** county employees
- **319,048** face-to-face contacts
- **114,692** participants attended training programs
- **1,265** food service employees trained
- **67,843** Steps to Health (SNAP-Ed) educational contacts
- **49,030** North Carolinians increased their consumption of fresh fruits and vegetables

ENRICHING OUR YOUTH
Extension’s 4-H program addresses the diverse issues and backgrounds of today’s youth, impacting more than 263,000 youth through efforts that build healthier, more involved citizens and future leaders.

- **110** county employees
- **478,013** face-to-face contacts
- **263,742** 4-H’ers,
- **10,807** attended 4-H camp
- **214,462** hours donated by 4-H volunteers
- **3,740** teachers used 4-H programs in their classrooms last year
- **45,115** youth increased their knowledge of career and employability skills

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NC State Extension works in tandem with N.C. A&T State University, as well as federal, state and local governments, to form a strategic partnership known as N.C. Cooperative Extension.